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The Albuquerque Police Department (APD) provides quality law enforcement services to the citizens of Albuquerque by working with neighborhoods to identify and abate conditions in the community that contribute to the occurrence of crime; by providing rapid dispatch and officer response to requests for emergency assistance; by conducting effective investigation of crimes through its specialized investigations units supported by the City's new crime laboratory; by operating crime prevention and community awareness programs; by cooperating with other law enforcement agencies and with other entities in the criminal justice system; and by providing strong internal support agencies.



APD is budgeted in four program strategies. The first, **Neighborhood Policing**, is responsible for most of the department's Community-Oriented Policing activities, as well as for responding to calls for service and crime prevention. The Neighborhood Policing program operates out of five area commands (Northeast, North Valley, Westside, Southeast, and Foothills) and includes a separate Metro Division to provide traffic and tactical enforcement. The second program strategy, **Investigative Services**, includes the Department's three specialized investigative units: The Special Investigations Division targets narcotics offenders and career criminals (gangs, vice, fugitives); the Criminal Investigations Division includes units that focus on sex crimes, armed robbery, homicide, property crimes, and juveniles; and the Metropolitan Crime Laboratory performs the department's criminalistics, identification, and evidence functions. The third program strategy is **Central Support Services**, which provides critical support to the department mission through the Office of the Chief

and its other divisions, such as human resources, financial management, fleet and facilities management, planning, communications, records management, court services, and internal affairs. The final program strategy is **Off-Duty Police Overtime**, which provides a mechanism to allow businesses and other external entities to employ sworn officers during their off-duty hours.

## MISSION

To strive to improve the quality of life in our city by protecting life and property, maintaining order, and reducing crime through education and prevention while upholding the Constitution and laws of the State of New Mexico, the United States, and the City of Albuquerque.

Operating Fund Expenditures by Category (\$000's)	ACTUAL FY/03	ORIGINAL BUDGET FY/04	REVISED BUDGET FY/04	ESTIMATED ACTUAL FY/04	APPROVED BUDGET FY/05	APPR 05/ EST ACT 04 CHG
Personnel	70,591	76,825	76,825	74,879	83,482	8,603
Operating	4,128	4,175	4,175	4,577	4,571	(6)
Capital	131	588	588	734	7,674	6,940
Transfers	10,458	11,844	11,844	11,922	13,669	1,747
Grants/Dedicated Funds	5,206	5,352	5,105	5,105	5,454	349
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>90,514</b>	<b>98,784</b>	<b>98,537</b>	<b>97,217</b>	<b>114,850</b>	<b>17,633</b>
<b>TOTAL FULL TIME POSITIONS</b>	<b>1,311</b>	<b>1,325</b>	<b>1,327</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>32</b>

## BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The FY/05 General Fund budget reflects an increase of \$15.6 million over the budgeted FY/04 level. The most significant increase is the addition of Public Safety Quarter Cent Tax funding passed by voters in October 2003, which results in an additional \$9.6 million for APD.

Included in the Public Safety Quarter Cent Tax is \$3.8 million for salaries, supplies and vehicle purchases for an expansion cadet class of 45 officers. Also included is \$5.1 million for the purchase of 124 marked and unmarked police vehicles. There is also \$190 thousand for the upgrade of the shooting range facility and \$500 thousand for law enforcement equipment.



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Other non-quarter cent increases are \$1 million for fully funding the 25 officers added to the FY/03 budget. By fully funding these 25 officers and the expansion cadet class of 45 officers from the Quarter Cent, the City will have a count of one thousand officers fully funded in FY/05.

Eleven officers are also moved from the Universal Hiring Program grant in FY/05 to the General Fund. There were an additional 30 officers that were moved for part of FY/04 from the COPS grant. The impact of these officers moving from the operating grant to the General Fund results in an additional impact of \$701 thousand on the General Fund.

The increase in wages and insurance costs has a \$3.9 million impact on the APD General Fund budget in FY/05. Funding of \$500 thousand is also provided for two cadet attrition classes, two communications staff are added for \$80 thousand and \$46 thousand is added to upgrade the Crisis Intervention Team. Fifteen vacant Public Service Aide positions are eliminated in FY/05 for savings of \$288 thousand. The remaining fifteen Public Service Aide position's hourly wage has increased to \$10 an hour in order to recruit and retain individuals in these positions.

Funding for the Law Enforcement Protection Fund is expected to remain at the FY/04 level of just under \$1.5 million. Revenue for this fund is derived from federal, state and DWI forfeitures.

There is an increase of \$392 thousand for the False Alarm Enforcement and Education Fund. This increase is a result of a \$400 thousand transfer to the Capital Acquisition Fund for the purchase of public safety equipment. This fund was established to reduce the number of false alarms and is supported by revenue received from permit fees and fines.

(\$000's)	ACTUAL FY/03	ORIGINAL BUDGET FY/04	REVISED BUDGET FY/04	ESTIMATED ACTUAL FY/04	APPROVED BUDGET FY/05	APPR 05/ EST ACT 04 CHG
<b>PROGRAM STRATEGY BY GOAL:</b>						
<b>GOAL 2: PUBLIC SAFETY</b>						
<b><u>GENERAL FUND -110</u></b>						
Central Support Services	20,624	21,590	21,990	21,985	28,332	6,347
Investigative Services	17,165	18,310	18,310	17,959	20,146	2,187
Neighborhood Policing	46,572	51,960	51,560	50,655	58,954	8,299
Off Duty Police Overtime	948	1,072	1,072	1,072	1,072	0
Total General Fund - 110	85,309	92,932	92,932	91,671	108,504	16,833
<b><u>FALSE ALARM ENFORCEMENT FUND - 287</u></b>						
False Alarm Enforcement	0	500	500	441	486	45
Trfr from Fund 287 to Fund 305	0	0	0	0	400	400
Trfr from Fund 287 to Fund 110	0	0	0	0	6	6
Total False Alarm Enforcement Fund - 287	0	500	500	441	892	451
<b><u>OPERATING GRANTS FUND - 265</u></b>						
Central Support Services	31	180	138	138	573	435
Investigative Services	253	330	989	989	404	(585)
'Neighborhood Policing	3,605	3,416	2,517	2,517	3,016	499
Total Operating Grant Fund - 265	3,889	3,926	3,644	3,644	3,993	349
<b><u>LAW ENFORCEMENT PROTECTION FUND - 280</u></b>						
Neighborhood Policing	274	300	300	300	300	0
Central Support Services	420	593	593	593	593	0
Investigative Services	622	533	533	533	533	0
Trfr from Fund 280 to Fund 110	0	0	35	35	35	0
Total Law Enforcement Protection Fund - 280	1,316	1,426	1,461	1,461	1,461	0
<b>TOTAL GOAL - 2</b>	<b>90,514</b>	<b>98,784</b>	<b>98,537</b>	<b>97,217</b>	<b>114,850</b>	<b>17,633</b>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>90,514</b>	<b>98,784</b>	<b>98,537</b>	<b>97,217</b>	<b>114,850</b>	<b>17,633</b>

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## REVENUE

The alarm ordinance enacted in FY/03 established the False Alarm Enforcement and Education Fund. As a result, revenue permits for business and user fees is now deposited into the new fund. Excessive false alarm service fees and hearing fees for appeals of excessive false alarms continue to be deposited to the General Fund. All other General Fund revenue is consistent with prior years.

Department Generated Fees for Services (\$000's)	ACTUAL FY/03	ORIGINAL BUDGET FY/04	ESTIMATED ACTUAL FY/04	APPROVED BUDGET FY/05	APPR 05/ EST ACT 04 CHG
Wrecker Fees	78	56	77	80	3
Photocopying	174	179	179	182	3
Off-Duty Police	1,319	1,534	1,534	1,565	31
Police Services	569	169	551	559	8
Alarm System Ordinance	113	10	50	51	1
Alarm Ordinance Fees – 287	276	530	907	907	0

## PRIOR YEAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- In recognition of the increased fire danger in the Bosque Area, the Albuquerque Police Department has assisted in the fire prevention and early detection of fires by utilizing newly acquired ATV's. The Westside Area Command patrols the surrounding mesa areas targeting illegal activity. Our Air Support Unit has also been vigilant over the city spotting two separate fires in the Bosque and notifying AFD. Both fires were extinguished before they could spread and result in property loss.
- The Southeast Area Command partnered with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and formed the Violent Crimes Impact Team. The initiative is a federally funded program whereby ATF agents work collaboratively with local law enforcement to identify, investigate, arrest and federally prosecute individuals engaged in criminal activity involving firearms. This project is being worked in conjunction with the Weed and Seed initiative.

- APD's Criminal Nuisance Abatement Unit and the Safe City Strike Force are working together, once a week, to review properties and decisions are made regarding what enforcement actions will be taken on identified nuisance properties. The primary responsibilities of these units are to enforce the city's codes and Ordinance, the Uniform Housing Code and related rules and regulations. During the last fiscal year the Strike Force reviewed approximately one thousand two hundred residential homes, businesses and apartment complexes for code violations. Administrative action was taken against approximately three hundred and twenty five of these properties, homes and businesses. The enforcement actions have resulted in the reduction of calls for service by the police department at these locations.



- The K-9 unit has been working to provide training and demonstrations for other law enforcement agencies and the public. The goal is to increase the public's understanding of the unit's functions and mission. This interaction with the public has been such a success that the Bosque Prep School, concerned about the K-9's safety in the performance of their duties, held a fundraiser and was able to collect enough money to purchase three bulletproof vests for the dogs. This is a great example of the public and the department working together.
- From January 1st to June 30th, 2004 the DWI Unit has been working a series of Sobriety Checkpoints and Saturation Patrols in an effort to reduce the number of DWI related fatalities and crashes. Their efforts have resulted in 1262 DWI arrests, 41 Felony Arrests, 115 Misdemeanor Arrests, 134 warrant arrests and 1463 moving citations. The DWI Seizure Program has resulted in 825 vehicles being seized for a total income of \$177 thousand.

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- The Auto Theft Unit has combined forces with the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department and State Police to create a task force known as the Community Auto Theft Team (CATT). In the first six months of operations CATT has recovered over \$500 thousand in stolen vehicles and construction equipment and shutdown three chop shops. The unit has also been involved in auto theft training for all regional law enforcement agencies and the Watch Your Car Program.
- The Family Abuse Stalking Team (FAST) continues in its proactive efforts to reduce domestic violence incidents. The unit reviews and enters all domestic violence reports into an "Early Warning" database. The team contacts victims and offenders to deter reoccurrences of domestic violence while offering assistance to victims in identifying resources and obtaining restraining orders for their safety.
- The Sex Offender Registration Detail (SORD) was established in October 2003 when the Albuquerque Sex Offender Registration Notification Act (ASORNA) went into effect. Since its inception the SORD unit has registered 300 sex offenders and monitors their compliance with ASORNA. The SORD unit works closely with Probation and Parole and conducts home visits on registered sex offenders. In January 2004, six sex offenders were arrested for failing to comply with ASORNA.
- The Support Services Division has made progress on APD's Strategic Information Technology Plan and expects to put out the RFP before the end of July. This plan will change APD to a paperless reporting system, which is more efficient and productive for each facet of Policing.

## ***PRIORITY OBJECTIVES/COUNCIL DIRECTIVES***

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** CITIZENS ARE SAFE, FEEL SAFE AND SECURE, AND HAVE TRUST AND SHARED RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT.

- Within APD in FY/05, retrain sworn personnel and civilian supervisors on effective implementation strategies for the Community Policing philosophy and regarding problem solving initiatives; evaluate all sworn and civilian supervisors on how they have achieved Community Policing expectations and Problem Solving objectives; deploy frontline personnel and resources to reduce reoccurring crime and quality of life complaints on selected Problem Solving projects.
- Use the established Problem Solving Team within the APD to prioritize how departmental resources are dedicated to address repeat crime and quality of life complaints; implement a system to track crime and quality of life complaints and work toward reducing these reoccurring complaints by 5%; coordinate efforts with other City agencies to bring all resources of the City to bear to address crime and quality of life issues; work with other City agencies to resolve crime and quality of life issues on at least 4 interdepartmental projects; report to the Mayor and City Council by the end of FY/05 on the results of these efforts.
- In collaboration with the Community Policing Steering Committee, meet on a quarterly basis and report to the Mayor and City Council on progress toward identifying and securing non-governmental community resources to assist in the City's Problem Solving efforts by the end of FY/05.
- To improve neighborhood quality of life and public safety, initiate 70 board-ups, 20 condemnations, 10 graffiti vandalism lawsuits, and 1,200 DWI vehicle forfeitures in FY/05.
- Reach and maintain an approved minimum staffing level of 1,000 sworn APD officers by February 2005. Provide quarterly reports to the Mayor and City Council. Track staff levels in the City's Performance Plan retroactively to FY/03 and continue thereafter.
- Evaluate the impact of the new state truancy law as well as the effectiveness of the truancy collaborative involving APD, APS, Juvenile Probation, Mayor's Office, BCSO and the District Attorney's Office, to determine its success during the 2003-2004 school year. Make recommendations for addressing truancy issues in 2004-2005 school year, and provide a report to the Mayor and City Council by the end of the first quarter of FY/05.